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## GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR KINGSVIEW POINTE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 16 City and Homes of Hope to create new affordable housing in West Greenville

GREENVILLE (SC) The City of Greenville and Homes of Hope will host a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday, April 16 at 11:00 a.m. at 315 Queen Street, the former site of Queens Court Apartments in the West Greenville community. This event is part of the City's celebration of *National Community Development Week* and participants will break ground for Kingsview Pointe, a new affordable home development planned for the site. Upon completion, Kingsview Pointe will feature 10 Charleston-style duplexes and seven single-family homeownership units for a total of 27 new affordable homes. Funding for the more than \$2 million development is being provided by the City of Greenville, First Savers Bank, the Greenville Local Development Corporation, the S.C. State Housing Finance & Development Authority and the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD).

West Greenville residents will join Mayor Knox White, City Council Member Diane Smock, HUD officials, church and neighborhood leaders and representatives from the City and Homes of Hope for the ceremony, which will also include information on upcoming homeownership and rental opportunities, programs offered to assist first-time home buyers and detailed plans for the Kingsview Pointe units.

"The City of Greenville and Homes of Hope understand the positive impact that homeownership can have on individuals and families as they strive to break the cycle of poverty and build wealth," said Ginny Stroud, the City's Community Development Administrator. "We also understand the urgent need for more quality affordable rental units, and this project combines the best of both initiatives."